

# COMMUNITY NEWS



About 100 local senior citizens (and a sprinkling of family friends) turned out last Thursday evening for the 4th of July barbecue, hosted by the Elba Senior Citizens Center. The event was moved to the Elba Fire Department building to accommodate the large gathering. Senior Citizens Center members decorated the tables and the dining tables in patriotic colors and symbols of America's independence. Robert Crowder, district director of the Commission of Aging, which funds the center, was an honored guest. Also present was Senator and Mrs. Jimmy Holley as well as Representative Terry Spicer.



Representative Terry Spicer and Senator and Mrs. Jimmy Holley enjoy a laugh while eating with the Senior Citizens last Thursday night.

## The Great Smokies Mountains are the Cherokee Indian's Treasure

For untold centuries before Spanish explorer Hernando de Soto and his troops moved into the southern mountains of the Appalachian range in 1540, the Cherokee Nation not only included these mountains but 135,000 square miles of territory.

Ranging from the Ohio River to the North, southward into the southern Appalachians and Georgia, the Cherokee's land area once encompassed 135,000 square miles, eight states. In addition to Alabama and Georgia, their territory included sections of South Carolina, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and Kentucky. Today, cities and towns dot the once unpopulated territory of the Cherokee people.

At the time de Soto arrived the Cherokee people numbered only about 25,000 – a very small number compared to the millions who now live on former Cherokee land.

Part of their original homeland was western North Carolina and eastern Tennessee, an area geographically dominated by a mountainous area internationally known as the Great Smoky Mountains.

Today, the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Indians live on 56,000 acres in the heart of the Great Smokies adjacent to the Great Smoky Mountain National Park. To many, including the Cherokee, there is no other place as beautiful as The Smokies.

Geologists have defined the Appalachians (of which the Smokies are a part) as the oldest mountains in the world. The Alps and Rockies are "new" mountains according to geologists, their towering rock peaks unworn by nature, unlike the Appalachians. It wasn't the age of these mountains that intrigued the Cherokee but the bluish haze so evident throughout the year. "Ma-ka-ka-ge" (Land of the Mist) was how the Cherokee named them.

Today, millions of visitors from throughout the world come to enjoy what the Cherokee have experienced for unnumbered generations – the spectacular beauty of the Great Smokies. However, too many people are erroneously led into believing the Great Smoky Mountain National Park and the Great Smoky

## Choose the right lawn grass to maintain an ideal home lawn

Stan Wirtham, County Agent

The key to an attractive, serviceable lawn is choosing a grass best adapted to your site and conditions. Now is a good time to plan for summer home lawn planting. Suitable lawn grasses are available for most home sites in Coffee County, but several questions should be answered before making a final choice.

Let's take a look at the summer lawn grasses. You can take your choice of the zoysia grasses, hybrid bermuda grasses, common bermuda, centipedegrass and St. Augustine grasses.

If mowing will be used for a recreation area where children play football, baseball and other games, your best choice is one of the hybrid bermuda grasses. Hybrid bermudas are established with sprigs and require practically full sun for good growth. The bermudas will stand quite a bit of traffic or wear and recover rapidly. Also, they spread

fast after sprigging. Common bermuda is established by seed but does not form a dense sod like the hybrids.

The zoysia grasses grow well in sun and fairly dense shade. If you have pines or other deep rooted trees and want a pretty lawn, consider Marella, Emerald, or Meyer zoysia grass. Zoysia will stand only light shade and wear. It recovers slowly. It is established vegetatively with sprigs and can be established with seed. It prefers full sun and part shade. Centipede will stand only light traffic and wear.

St. Augustine grass grows in full sun or fairly dense shade. It will stand only light traffic and wear. In dense shade or under shallow rooted trees, it is best to use low growing ground cover plants. Some of the most popular are ivy, ajuga, Bigleaf and Little leaf Periwinkle and Liriope.

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# The Elba Clipper

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## Kleinert's, Inc. acquires brand name of Buster Brown Apparel

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

Kleinert's, Inc., one of the nation's leading producers of quality children's wear, has purchased the brand name, trademarks and other assets of Buster Brown Apparel, Inc.

In making the announcement, Jack Brier, chairman of the board of Kleinert's, Inc., said, "I have spent years looking at various business opportunities to combine with our organization and I can tell you that nothing comes closer to the acquisition of Buster Brown Apparel. The brand is an American icon, and to have the chance to build this brand and ensure that its rich history endures is a rare and very special opportunity."

Kleinert's intends to preserve the Buster Brown Apparel name and logo exactly as they are. In addition to the brand name and trademarks, the purchase includes Buster Brown's current inventory and receivables. Other terms of the acquisition, including purchase price, were not disclosed.

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## EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS  
With Ferrin Cox

Elba is unique, that is a given. The company which was the successful bidder on the \$2+ million Elba sewer project was confident because they had lots of experience installing water and sewer lines in sandy soil. However, they now know what Elba sugar sand really is! One big mess for anyone trying to dig in it! Of course, during their first weeks of work, the normal problems have been compounded by rain, rain and more rain. The net result is they dig, and dig some more when they only wanted a narrow hole to drop in a sewer pipe and then cover it up again. Oh, and along with the massive digging, they are operating "well points" all around the area. These are hooked up to vacuum pumps and suck some of the water from the area in which they are trying to work. These things must operate 24 hours a day, and even then at times, seem to be losing ground to the in flow water from everywhere.

More positive news for Elba. Of course our readers have either heard about or seen the front page article about Kleinters' purchase of the Buster Brown name. Regardless of the modest comments from company officials, we consider this a very positive move for Elba and other area folks. The ribbon cutting for Whitman's new store was held last week and the developers of that property said Tuesday they hope to have another lease signed by someone using two more of those units within days. Oh, Fred's unofficially opened their new store on the bypass this week. We are closely following a plan being developed to construct some new apartments on the West side of town... more on that when it happens. The talk of a new post office building in Elba continues. Postal officials, who decide these things, have postponed the project several times, but the latest we have seen in writing promises the new building will be occupied by January of 2001... again more on that as it develops.

There was a suggestion made by a local citizen a couple of months ago which would probably be a great idea, but will need someone or a group(s) to push and follow through with. Up on the Troy Highway, at the intersection with the bypass, two homes have been purchased in the flood buy-out program. The houses will move or torn down and no building can ever be built there again. The property will be owned and maintained in some fashion by the City of Elba. This would make a beautiful new area for people to see as they drive into Elba from Troy and points North! Either a floral display or a play and picnic park or a combination of all the aforementioned. But remember, constructing is one thing and maintaining another. If the project is not going to be maintained, it would be a waste to grass it and mow it regularly or plant the area in pine or oak trees and forget it.

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Even though there are complaints locally about the continuing days of rain, the farm crops are looking good all across the Wiregrass. Recently we were on a trip into South Georgia, and the robust crop picture carried over into at least the lower part of that state also. For the sake of our farmer friends, hopefully that will continue until harvest time.

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## Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, July 5, 1999, investigated the following incidents: one leaving the scene of an accident, one missing person, one harassment, one VPI, two for disorderly conduct, one for possession of a forged instrument, one burglary, three thefts of property, one vehicle damage to a building, and one disorderly conduct.

The following arrests were made during the week: two for disorderly conduct, two for VPI, two for resisting arrest, one for possession of a forged instrument, one for disorderly conduct, and one for harassment.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: six for speeding, one for child restraint violation, two for driving while under the influence are suspended, one for attempting to elude, one for running a red light, and one for expired tags.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows:

**MONDAY, JULY 5:** River stage - 6.41 feet (6:00 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence on AL Hwy. 125N (12:41 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence on Old Curtis Road (6:00 p.m.); Possible propane leak on S. Hwy. 84E (9:36 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Elba Work Release Center (11:38 p.m.).

**TUESDAY, JULY 6:** River stage - 5.43 feet (6:50 a.m.); Alarm at a residence on Jackson Street (1:40 p.m.); Alarm at Elba Elementary School (3:10 p.m.); Coffee County EMS made a medical transfer from Elba General Hospital to a Dothan hospital (7:41 p.m.).

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 7:** River stage - 4.64 feet (6:20 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a wreck on AL Hwy. 125N (7:06 a.m.); Wreck reported at Medical Arts (8:03 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence on Oak Avenue (2:50 p.m.); Fire department dispatched to Morrow Village (5:41 p.m.).

**THURSDAY, JULY 8:** River stage - 5.00 feet (6:35 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence at the corner of Reese Avenue and Ann Street (6:19 p.m.); Routine activity.

**FRIDAY, JULY 9:** River stage - 5.00 feet (6:35 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence at the corner of Reese Avenue and Ann Street (6:19 p.m.); Routine activity.

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**ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSN.:** 8-8:30 a.m. Elba United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall  
**ELBA CITY COUNCIL:** 2nd & 4th Monday 6-7 p.m. City Hall  
**WATER & ELECTRIC:** Tuesdays 7:30-8:30 a.m. 6-6 p.m. City Hall  
**COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION:** 2nd & 4th Monday - Community Center in Farm Center Complex @ New Brockton  
**LIONS CLUB:** 2nd & 4th Tues. 6:30 p.m. Senior Citizen Center  
**ELBA CIVILIAN SCHOOL BOARD:** 1st Tuesdays 6-7 p.m. Elba First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall  
**AMERICAN LEGION:** 1st Thurs. 7:30 p.m. Legion Hall, Troy Hwy.  
**RED EYE SQUAD:** 2nd & 4th Tues. 7 p.m. Red Eye Inn  
**BAY BOATERS:** 1st Mon. - 7 p.m. Band Room @ Elba High School  
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**COFFEE COUNTY COON HUNTERS ASSN.:** 3rd Sat. - 3 p.m. Club House  
**COFFEE REPUBLICAN WOMEN:** 3rd Wed. Noon Colony Center Enterprise Room  
**AIRPORT AUTHORITY:** 1st Tuesday at noon, City Hall Conference Room  
**AARP:** meets every 3rd Tuesday night of the month 7 p.m.  
**CIVIL AIR PATROL:** Every Monday 7 p.m. - Elba Air Driscoll hanger  
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## ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL REPORT

The Elba General Hospital had the following patients admitted during the time period of July 5, 1999 through July 11, 1999. They were: Eunice Watson, Marjorie Harrison Lomax Parks, Benny Ray Carpenter, Annie Slawson, Linda Troy Tyler, Dorothy Shiner Betsy Martin, William K. Kilpatrick, Henry O. Eiland, Memie Hudson, Jodie Johnson, and Mary Nell James.

Persons discharged during the same time period were: Natasha Warren, Tommie Faison, Hollis Wicker, James L. Johnson, Lynous Parks, Burris, Thomas Hill, Marjorie Harrison, Ruth Harrelson, William Legear, Troy Tyler, Eunice Watson, Douglas Shiver, Betsy Martin, Henry Eiland, Willie Kilpatrick, and Bennie Ray Carpenter.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Dear Editor:

Our Airborne Association is still trying to locate veterans that served in the Airborne during their military time. We realize that there are over 100,000 troopers across America that we need to locate. We need your help.

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## Gospel singing planned at Wooten Chapel

There will be a Gospel sing Friday, July 16 at 7 p.m. at Wooten Chapel Assembly of God in New Brockton. Special guests will be "Resting Place" of Cottonwood, Ala., and "Celebration" of Crestview, Fla. Everyone is invited. The church is located five miles south of New Brockton on County Road 514.

## Coffee County Schools to begin

Wednesday, August 4th

Coffee County Schools will begin on Wednesday, August 4 for the 1999-2000 school year. In order to ensure a smooth opening, parents who plan for their children to attend Kinston, New Brockton, and Zebulon Chapel Schools, for the first time should register their children at the respective schools between July 19 and July 30. The school offices will be open from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. daily.

New students should bring a copy of their social security card, immunization record, and grade placement from previous schools. Kindergarten students must also bring a copy of their birth certificate. Proof of residence should be presented when registering. Students who live within the school district will be given priority in registering.

## Coffee County Republican Committee meeting to be held July 20th

The monthly meeting of the Coffee County Republican Committee will be held on Tuesday, July 20, at 6 p.m. at the Folks Restaurant in Enterprise.

"In addition to our regular business, we are pleased to have Lt. Gov. Steve Windom present our program," stated GOP chairman Al

Windom.

Windom has recently finished his first session in presiding over the Alabama State Senate, and should offer some interesting observations.

All members are encouraged to attend, and the general public is also invited.



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## LIFESTYLES

Annual Bedsole reunion planned for Saturday, July 24th

The annual Bedsole reunion will be held at the Westgate Recreation Center Building, Dothan, Ala. on Saturday, July 24, at 10 a.m. in the White Room. The Recreation Center Building is located near Waterside just off Westgate.

Benefit to be held for Marilyn Eddins Saturday, July 24th

A benefit in honor of Marilyn Eddins, cancer patient, will be held on Saturday, July 24, at Jack In A Box Daycare in Jack, Ala. Boston Buns will be sold for \$15 and a yard sale and bake sale starts at 8 a.m.



**COFFEE COUNTY FARMERS FEDERATION**

The annual meeting of the **COFFEE COUNTY FARMERS FEDERATION** will be held on **FRIDAY, JULY 23, 1999 at 6:30 p.m.**

at The Enterprise High School Auditorium.

**THE COFFEE COUNTY MISS AGRICULTURE PAGEANT**

and

**COFFEE COUNTY TALENT FIND**

will be held at the same time. There will be

**ENTERTAINMENT and DOOR PRIZES.**

All members are encouraged to attend.



**Emily Rose Cook is one year old**

Emily Rose Cook celebrated her first birthday on July 3, 1999. Emily's "It's the Big One" birthday party was held Saturday, July 3, at her parent's house. Many friends and family were there to help her celebrate.

Emily Rose is the daughter of Paul and Sherry Cook and the granddaughter of Sam and Shirley Noblin and Helen and the late "Ibey" Cook, all of Brantley.

The wedding is planned for August 7, 1999 at 3 p.m. at Park Memorial United Methodist Church in Troy. A reception will follow at The Emporium in Troy.

Deadline For Social News Is Monday!

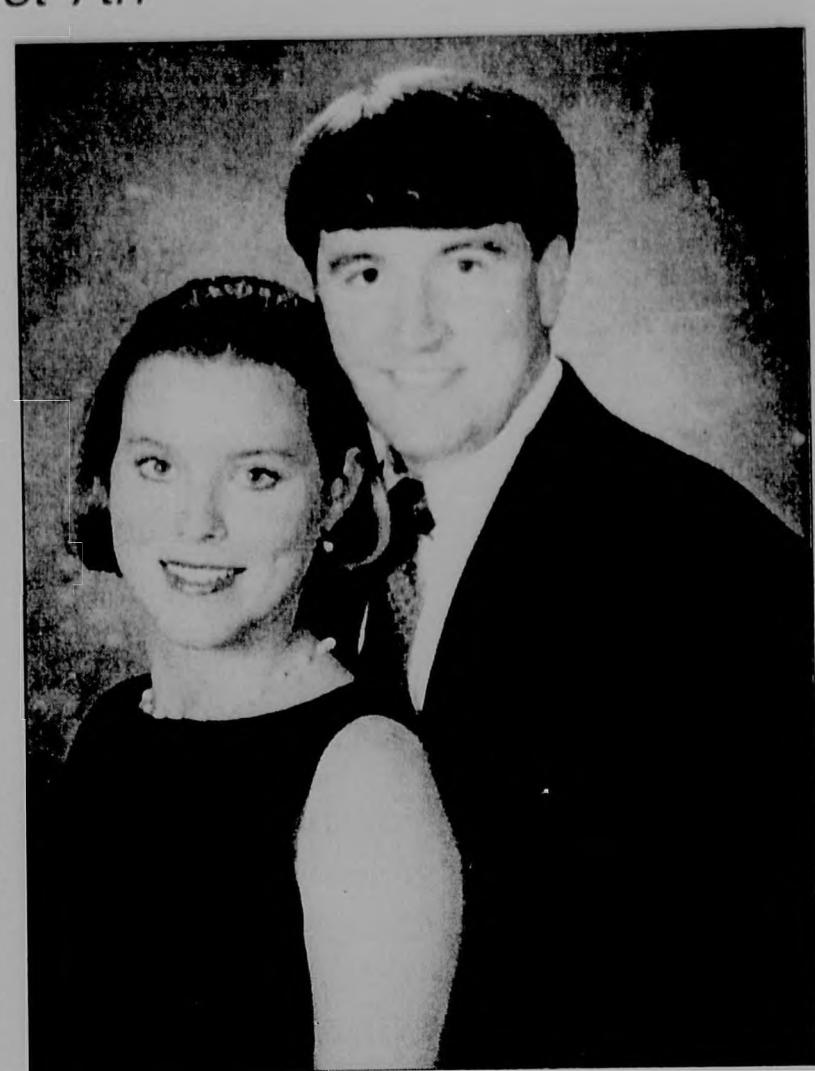
**Wimberly-Driggers wedding to be held in Troy Saturday, August 7th**

Mr. and Mrs. Gregg Armstrong of Headland and Mr. Gary Wimberly of Montgomery announce the engagement of their daughter, Alyssa Victoria Wimberly, to Mr. Cory Holley Driggers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Driggers of Elba.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mrs. Mary Wood Pitchford of Headland and the late Mr. Victor Pitchford; and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Wimberly of Montgomery. She is a graduate of Northview High School and Troy State University where she received a Bachelor of Science degree in political science and was a member of Alpha Gamma Delta sorority. She currently is employed with a management services company in Jackson, Miss.

The future bridegroom is the grandson of Mrs. Verbie Lee Davis Holley and the late Mr. John Edmon Holley of Elba; and the late Mrs. and Mrs. Johnny Fletcher Driggers of Elba. He is a graduate of Elba High School and Troy State University where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in political science and was a member of Pi Kappa Pi fraternity. He currently is attending Mississippi College School of Law in Jackson, Miss.

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**Miss Coffee County Agriculture Pageant to be held July 23rd**

The 1999 Coffee County Miss Agriculture Pageant and Coffee County Talent Find will be held July 23, 1999 at Enterprise High School. The pageant is open to all young ladies ages 17-25 and the talent find is open to all young ladies and men ages 17-25. There's no entry fee. Contestants must be a resident of Coffee County. They cannot participate in another county's pageant and participate in Coffee County's pageant. Deadline for all applications is July 16. The winners in both the pageant and the talent find will go on to the state competition in Mobile in December. The pageant is sponsored by ALFA, the Coffee County Farmers Federation and the Coffee County Young Farmers. For more information or an application, please call Betsy Watson at 897-8243, Sharon Caylor at 894-5624, or Holly Watson at 347-3727.

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Preston Lance Chambers  
 Preston Lance Chambers is six years old

Preston Lance Chambers turned 6-years-old on July 8, 1999. Lance celebrated his birthday with family and friends on July 11 at the home of his grandparents, June and Preston Chambers of Elba. Guests present were: his mother, Sandra Chambers of Troy; Donald Barton of Elba; Daniel Barton of Elba; JoAnn Senn of Elba; Justin and Jordan Kidd of Elba; Shirley Hopkins of Elba and Russ and Grace Burkett of Clarksville, Fla.

**College Days for Retired Persons back by popular demand at EJC**

College Days for Retired Persons return by popular demand to Enterprise State Junior College on Thursday and Friday, August 12-13. Retired persons enjoy a very special, enjoyable day of educational and leisure activities ranging from arts and crafts to family life and consumer issues. This program is offered in cooperation with the Alabama Cooperative Extension Service - Coffee, Dale, and Geneva Counties and Senior Friends. The program begins at 8 a.m. on August 12. The \$20 fee includes two luncheons. There is a registration deadline of August 5. For more information call 334-393-8912, ext. 234.

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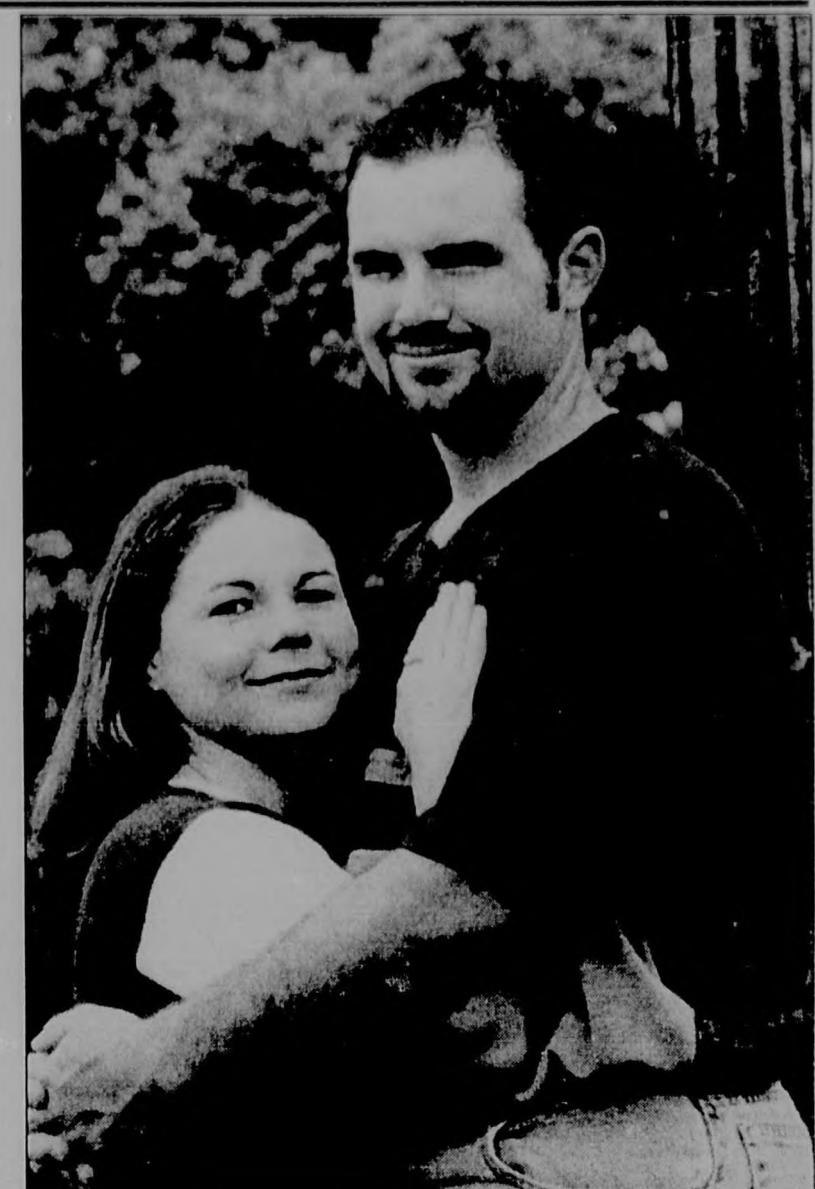
**Faulk-Mauldin wedding held Saturday, April 24th**



Mr. & Mrs. Michael Tracy Faulk

A FREE Literacy Volunteer Tutor Training Workshop will be held at Enterprise State Junior College 6:30 p.m., Aug. 30-Sept. 2. The purpose of the workshop is to teach volunteers how to teach adults to read. To participate in the tutor training an adult must have a high school diploma or GED, be able to read and write English effectively, and exhibit patience, enthusiasm, and a desire to help others. To be certified as a tutor, a participant must attend all four nights of the workshop. To register, call 334-393-8912, ext. 234. For more information, call ext. 266 or ext. 218.

**C.C. Junior Miss Scholarship Program to be held**



Miss Knighten & Mr. Pearson

**Knighten-Pearson announce wedding plans**

of Mr. and Mrs. Olan Pearson of Opp and the late Mrs. Frances Pearson of Samson and Mrs. Patsy Howell of Samson and John Howell of Atlanta, Ga. He is a 1997 graduate of Samson High School and is currently employed in Enterprise.

The wedding will be held on July 24, 1999 at 3 p.m. in the evening at the First Baptist Church of Samson. A reception will be held following the ceremony in the church fellowship hall. No local invitations are being sent. All friends and family are invited to attend.

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**Katie Vaughan participates in national Leadership Forum**

Katie Vaughan of Elba participated in the 1999 National Leadership Forum on Medicine Friday, June 27 - July 7 in San Francisco.

Katie, in the Class of 2000 at Elba High School, was among a select group of outstanding high school juniors and seniors from across America and around the world who met the qualifications required to participate in the Forum. Katie was selected because of her academic achievements and her interest in the profession of medicine.

**Enterprise Quilters offering beginner class Saturday, July 17th**

The Enterprising Quilters are offering a beginners class in applique on Saturday, July 17, from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Come join the fun and learn this sewing technique. For more information and reservations call Patti Pruitt at 347-7299.

**The Enterprise Quilters Guild meets first Thursday of every month**

The Enterprising Quilters Guild meets the first Thursday of every month for a business meeting and the third Thursday for a workshop. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. in the Citizens Bank community room in Enterprise. New members of all skill levels are very welcome.

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### Eliminate Elba Nationals

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The following employment procedures will be adhered to:

1. An application may be received from, and submitted to, the Coffee County School System at the following address:

**Coffee County Board of Education**  
400 Reddoch Hill Road  
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2. A complete application consists of a resume, an official application for employment, a copy of a valid Alabama teaching certificate, and a complete transcript of all college course work. **Photocopies or faxed copies of application will not be accepted.** If an application is currently on file, you will notify the Superintendent's Office in writing, of your interest in this position in order to be considered for an interview.
3. Applications will be accepted through Monday, August 2, 1999 at 5 p.m.
4. Interviews will be conducted by the principal.
- Interviews for selected applicants will be conducted by the principal and / or superintendent.
6. The superintendent will make recommendations to the Board for action.
7. All applicants interviewed will receive written notification of action taken regarding the vacancy applied for.

**Duties:** Duties as outlined in the Coffee County Schools' Board of Education policy manual.

**Salary:** Commensurate with experience and education as determined by Coffee County Schools' salary schedule.

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**First Assembly to have guest speaker Sunday, July 17th**

First Assembly of God of Elba will have as their guest speaker for morning and evening worship Sunday, July 17, Evangelist Luis Torres from Elba, AL.

He is the author of the book "Destined for Hell" formally the associate director of Teen Challenge, former drug addict and in prison, now a minister and evangelist.

Morning worship service at First Assembly is at 10:30 a.m. and evening worship begins at 6:00 p.m.

**Rev. William Barnes to be in concert at Country Cathedral**

Rev. William Barnes from Andalusia will be ministering in song and word at Country Cathedral, located on U.S. Hwy. 84 east of Opp, this Sunday. The service will start at 6 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

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## Pruitt and Curtis Family Reunion July 17-19, 1999

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We the Children, Grandchildren, and Great-Grand Children of Willie and Odessa Pruitt would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to the "GREATEST" Parents/Grand Parents in the World.

**Big Daddy and Little Mama** Your time on earth with us wasn't long enough, however, we cherish the moments that each and every one of us shared with you.

**So, Today, July 17, 1999, we would like to say we love and miss you very much and the void in our heart will never be filled.**

### **The Children/Grandchildren & Great-Grands of Willie "Trick" and Odessa Pruitt**

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Millionaire Percy Ross is known for his philanthropic work. He offers help and encouragement for those in need. He has earned a fortune and a wealth of knowledge during his lifetime and wants to share both. His motto: "He who gives while he lives... also knows where it goes."

### **Birthing Children And Raising Them Are Two Separate Issues**

**Dear Mr. Ross:** I'm a great believer that things happen for a reason. The fact that I'm raising my grandchildren (triplets, age 14 months) is no accident. My daughter and her husband found it more important to serve the Lord in foreign, war torn countries, than to be parents to these little darlings. I was deemed a suitable replacement for "mom and dad", so off they went.

They also left me with only a stipend to compensate for the cost of diapers, food and all the hygiene necessities.

It's been 14 months since they left and I've had to struggle every week to meet the needs of the triplets. I'm a widow, age 56, and my disability check only goes so far. Thanks to my late husband I own my home, so at the very minimum we're guaranteed a roof over our heads.

I didn't write just to complain. I need your help. Trust me, I told my husband I need about \$200 a month for one year, and he would spend it at my local Rite Aid. They have healthy, good brands and I can do one-stop shopping that makes life so much more convenient when you have 3 babies in diapers. I started by telling you things happen for a reason. When I opened the Booster and read your column for the first time, I knew there was a reason I took 15 minutes out of my busy schedule. I also hope you're going to help me.

**Mrs. F. W. ... The Booster, Columbus, OH**

**Dear Mrs. W.:** Parents who have no intentions of raising their children have no right bringing them into the world. As harsh as that may sound, it is weak in comparison to what I really think about your daughter and son-in-law's cavalier lifestyle, which has left you holding the bag.

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**Steve Cox recently honored**

Goodwill Industries of Central Alabama recently honored individuals who are employed at the job development/rehabilitation center in Enterprise or Ft. Rucker.

Among the award winners during Goodwill Week was Steve Cox of Elba, who was chosen as Top Performer for 1999. Steve is currently employed at the Ft. Rucker Commensary.

### **Wiregrass Hospice to hold workshop**

Wiregrass Hospice, Inc., in conjunction with Wallace College, will hold their 5th annual workshop. The workshop will feature local professionals and nationally known physician and speaker, Dr. Alfred McKee. Dr. McKee is the Director of Palliative Medicine for the Pain Management Center at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield, Mass. He has extensive experience in the fields of Hematology and Oncology and speaks on the subjects nationally.

The workshop will be held on Saturday, July 24, 1999 from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. at the LBN Health Building Auditorium at Wallace College in Dothan. CEU credit will be offered for nurses, social workers, nursing home administrators, licensed professional counselors and other medical professionals. The cost is \$35 (pre-registered) or \$45 (on-site) and includes lunch. To register, by phone, call (334)983-3521, ext. 300.



**THE COFFEE COUNTY FARM SERVICE AGENCY STAFF** are left to right: David W. Eaddy, County Executive Director; James R. Johnson, Farm Loan Program Manager; Debra Nicholson, Earnestine McMonagle, Gloria Walls, Sophia Kelley, Sharon Stiles and Lloyd Helms. They are here to help area growers. Their job is to administer the farm programs that Congress passes. The two most recent programs—crop disaster and livestock market programs—have greatly helped the farmers and Ag related industries in Coffee County. FSA also has a Federal Farm Loan Program to help farmers secure financing. The Farm Service Agency is located at the Coffee County Agriculture Complex in New Brockton.

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## FALL CLASSES BEGIN AUGUST 23rd

**ELBA CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION and COFFEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION** today announced their policy for free and reduced-price meals for children served in schools under the National School Lunch Program and/or School Breakfast Program. Local school officials have adopted the following household size and income criteria for determining eligibility:

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	ELIGIBILITY SCALE FOR FREE MEALS	HOUSEHOLD SIZE	ELIGIBILITY SCALE FOR REDUCED-PRICE MEALS
PER YEAR	PER MONTH	PER WEEK	PER MONTH
1. 10,712	.893	206	1. 15,244
2. 14,378	1,199	277	2. 20,461
3. 18,044	1,504	347	3. 25,678
4. 21,710	1,810	418	4. 30,895
5. 25,376	2,115	488	5. 36,112
6. 29,042	2,421	559	6. 41,329
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**PARENTS:** If your total current household income is within the limits listed above, your children may be eligible for either free or reduced-price meals.

They may apply by completing the application form sent home with a letter to parents. Additional copies are available at the principal's office in each school. The information provided on the application is confidential and will be used only for purposes of determining eligibility. The information on the application may be verified at any time during the school year. Application may be submitted any time during the school year.

In accordance with program regulations school officials will be verifying the income of some households at some time during the school year. Selected households will be requested to provide income documentation in order to continue receiving free and reduced-price meals.

The social security number must be provided for the primary wage earner or household member who signs the application. Aliens ineligible for social security numbers should indicate their status on the application.

In certain cases, foster children are also eligible for these benefits. If a family has such children living with them and wishes to apply for them as for the primary wage earner, they should contact the school.

In the operation of child feeding programs, no child will be discriminated against because of race, sex, color, religion, national origin, age or mental or physical handicap.

Under the provision of the free and reduced-price meal policy, the principal of each school will review the applications and determine eligibility.

If a parent is dissatisfied with the ruling of the official, he may wish to discuss it in more detail with that official. If a parent wishes to review the ruling further after discussing it with the school, he has a right to a fair hearing. This can be done by making a request either orally or in writing to Charles Pearce, Supt., whose address is 101 Tiger Drive, Elba, AL 36323 or Roger Bowden, Supt., whose address is 400 Reddoch Hill Rd., Elba, AL 36323.

Hearing procedures are outlined in the free and reduced-price meal policy.

If a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size changes, the household should contact the school to file a new application. Such changes may make the children of the household eligible for free or reduced-price meals if the household income falls at or below the level shown above.

A complete copy of the Policy is on file in each school and in the office of the Superintendent of Elba City Schools and Coffee County Schools where it may be reviewed by any interested party.

All questions on the free and reduced-price application must be completed. Failure to include information on household members, income or food stamp case number, information on social security, and the signature of an adult household member will result in the denial of benefits.

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## Elba Chamber of Commerce is host to countywide legislative breakfast



Following the hot breakfast of eggs, bacon, grits, biscuits, milk, juice and/or coffee, attendees at the Chamber of Commerce Legislative Breakfast heard a legislative report from Representative Gerry Spicer and Senator Jimmy Holley. Following their very positive comments, the legislators responded to questions from the group of business leaders.



Miss Elba Leslie Stinson is shown serving a cup of coffee to Elba Chamber of Commerce President Jerry Kelley at the Friday morning Legislative Breakfast. The charming Miss Stinson continues to appear regularly at a wide variety of civic and social events during her reign as Miss Elba.

**Sheriff's department joins with task force and Enterprise police to seize plot of marijuana plants**

Last Thursday and Friday, the Coffee County Sheriff's Department, along with police officers from the Enterprise Police Department and 12th Judicial Circuit Drug Task Force seized 159 marijuana plants.

The "harvest" was made in the area north of the intersection of AL Hwy. 51 and AL Hwy. 167 with the assistance of an Alabama National Guard RAID helicopter. The helicopter crew spotted the plants from the air and directed officers on the ground to the plants.

The street value of the 159 plants was estimated to be approximately \$50,000 or \$20,000 per plant.

Officials say at least one arrest is expected in conjunction with the seizure and will come after further investigation.

The particular seizure is the result of local law enforcement agencies' efforts to eradicate domestically grown marijuana.

Each year, law enforcement agencies receive numerous tips regarding suspicious activity which is believed to involve illegal growing of marijuana.

After compiling this information, the national guard RAID unit is contacted and a date determined for their assistance with aerial observation and detection.

Any one with information regarding the illegal growing or selling of marijuana is urged to contact their local law enforcement agency.

### Safety agencies join Cosco in recall of infant car seats/carriers

In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA),

Cosco Inc. of Columbus, Ind., is announcing a recall of about 670,000 Arriva and Turnabout infant car seats/carriers. When used as an infant carrier, the handle locks on

each side of the seat can unexpectedly release, causing the seat to flip forward. When this happens, the infant can fall to the ground and suffer serious injuries. "This is a serious problem that puts infants at risk," said C.P.S.C. Chairman Ann Brown.

"The handle locks on these car seat carriers and release when you regularly buckle your child into the seat, parents who have this car seat should call for a free repair kit immediately."

There have been 151 reports of the handle of the car seat/carrier unexpectedly releasing, resulting in 29 injuries to children. These reports include skull fractures, a broken arm, bumps to the head, black eyes, scrapes and bruises.

According to the reports, some

injuries occurred to children who were restrained in the seat. "Parents should continue using these rear-facing infant car seats, but should not use the handle until a repair kit has been installed," said N.H.T.S.A. Administrator Ricardo Martinez, M.D.

"Safety is our highest priority. A child safety seat that is installed and used correctly is the most effective safety device available for young children in automobiles."

The recall involves Arriva and Turnabout infant car seat/carrier models manufactured between March 1, 1995 and September 9, 1997. The manufacture date and model number are written on a label located on the side of the seat. The car seat/carriers have the following model numbers:

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02-665 02-729 02-731  
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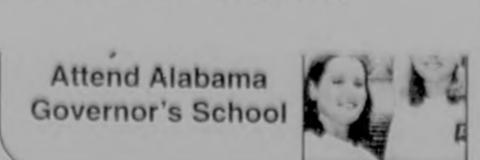
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## Hollywood film crew recreates Elba's March '90 flood

by Linda Hodge, Staff Writer

Light! Camera! Action!

It's gonna flood in Elba. That's right. The Floods of 1990 and '98, which devastatingly brought national attention to Elba, have once again attracted cameras, but this time it has got a flip side.

Philip Morris USA, the owner of Miller Brewing, Philip Morris Tobacco and Kraft, is recreating the flood of 1990 for commercials that will be used for advertising and public relations.

"Traditionally, we have not been all that active with the public," said Peggy Roberts, director of corporate communications for Philip Morris. "These commercials are about a company that has a bigger story to tell than most people realize."

Roberts said it is not uncommon for a person to automatically think beer and tobacco when hearing the name "Philip Morris." However, what she said people do not realize is Philip Morris is a company that is in an estimated 9 out of every 10 homes in America because the company also owns Kraft, which produces many of the food products used by today's consumer.

Roberts said it is this unrealized knowledge about Philip Morris that the company has decided to break the silence about and share with the public, its shareholders and employees.

Roberts said the company chose

to tell the Elba story because there was plenty of documentation, but most importantly, because it was simply a "good story."

"People like to hear stories about small towns and real people," Roberts said. "That's why we are using local people for the filming of these commercials."

"Tony is the nicest guy and has a great sense of humor," said Rory Monaghan of Leo Burnett. "It has been a pleasure for me to be able to work with him on this project."

Monaghan said many of Scott's crew members have been working with him for about 15 years. He credits this to Scott being a wonderful guy to work with.

"He is very talented," said Monaghan. "And he works very well with regular people who are not stars."

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